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Time Marches On!

Regina, N.W.T., 1898 . . .

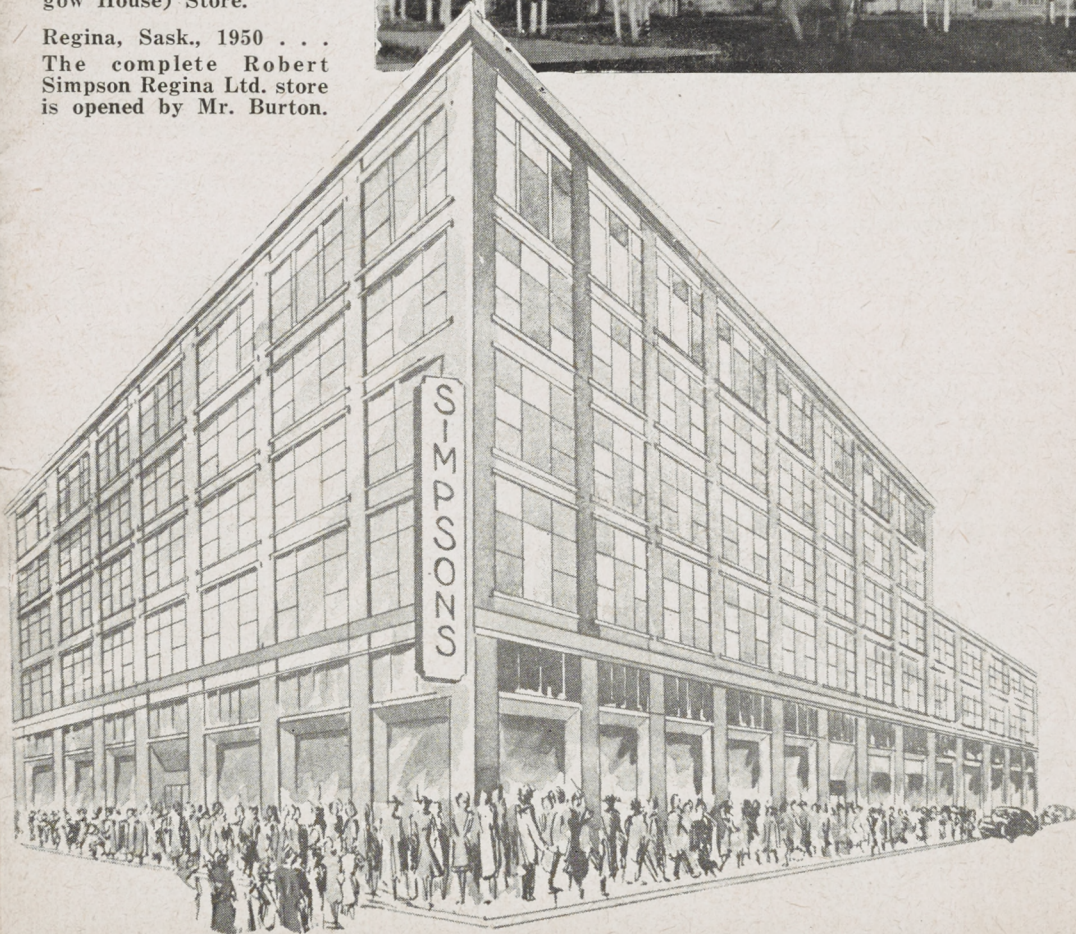
The Model school is built on the corner of Hamilton Street and 11th Avenue.

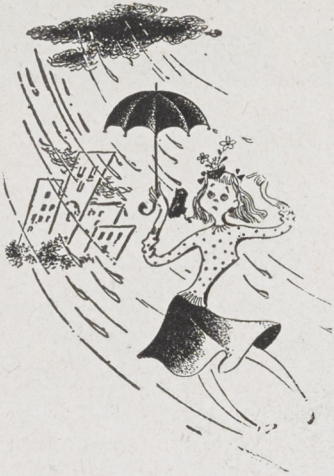
Regina, Sask., 1910 . . .

The Model school is demolished to make way for R. H. Williams (The Glasgow House) Store.

Regina, Sask., 1950 . . .

The complete Robert Simpson Regina Ltd. store is opened by Mr. Burton.





Mr. Noble Britton did his very best to slip out on his staff on the day of his leaving departments 52, 58, 59 and 74, but it was all in vain. He was surrounded by his many friends and presented with a golf set by Mr. H. Amell.

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We are glad to see Mary Shenher (Order Review) back at work after her recent illness.

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Three members of the Audit Dept., Mrs. L. McRae, Mrs. M. Waugh and Mrs. J. Henderson, left recently. Each one was presented with a lovely china cup and saucer by Miss A. Laing on behalf of the Audit staff.

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On severing his connection with the company, Leo Dayne was presented with an expansion bracelet by Mr. A. E. Larkin from his many friends on the 7th floor.

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Friday, March 17, Mr. Horlick presented Helen Trinker with a lovely coffee table on behalf of the Recording Dept. Helen is going to make housekeeping a full time job.

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Dot Isaac (Checking Dept., Sixth Floor) was the recipient of a beautiful trilight floor lamp on the occasion of her marriage April 10, to Jack Bishoff. Mr. Mark made the presentation on behalf of her many friends throughout the building.

SOCIAL *and* PERSONAL

On behalf of the Recording staff, Mr. Horlick presented Betty Lloyd with a pair of Kenwood blankets when she severed her connections with the company.

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Joan Fisher, Recording Dept., left the employ of the company on April 8th. On behalf of all the girls, Mr. Horlick presented Joan with an electric toaster.

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Edith Fitzpatrick and baby son Ken were recent visitors on the fifth floor. Edith was formerly of the fifth floor Mail Filling and Checking.

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On April 1, Mrs. Peggy Sanbeck left the Traffic and Custom Department to take up housekeeping as a full-time job. She was presented with "Wear-Ever" kitchen utensils from the staff.

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Ted Canham left Department 35 in March. On behalf of his friends on the sixth floor, Mr. Trim presented Ted with a Ronson lighter and wallet.

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Mrs. Cecil Busch (nee Leona Bollinger) of Mail Filling, 7th Floor, has left to take up residence in Wilcox, Sask.

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The Accounting Department lost two eligible males recently—Bernie Cavanaugh and Tom Reader. Bernie is leaving for Edmonton and Tom has joined the Army.

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We are sorry to hear that Allan Hilderly (Dept. 34) was called home because of his Dad's poor health. Hope that you Dad is better soon, Allan, and that you will be back with us before long.

Social and Personal (Continued)

Irma Shultz was a recent visitor to Dept. 74.

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W. Bradley, Maintenance, suffered a painful accident when he slipped on some ice and fractured his wrist.

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Recent visitor to the Mail Order Styles, 7th Floor, was Mrs. Eli Rickie (nee Laura Adamache).

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Esther Forsman, Invoice Office, is back at work again after a recent operation.

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On April 6, a surprise farewell party was held at Bob Brylak's home, in honour of Miss Pickford (Men's Clothing Alteration Workroom) who has left the Company. She was presented with a gift by Mr. Brylak on behalf of the staff of the workroom and the Men's Clothing Dept. Kay will make her new home in the East.

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We are glad to have Millie Enich, Dept. 35, back to work after her recent illness.

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Upon severing her connections with the Company, Trillie Carey (Order Review) was presented with a lovely lace tablecloth. Miss Lyons made the presentation.

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John Bubyn left the Mail Order Shoe Department recently to take up a new position.

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Prior to her marriage, Mary Ellis was presented with a lovely linen tablecloth by Miss Lyons on behalf of the girls in the Order Review. Mary's new home will be in Bienfait.

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Ralph Prior has left the Mail Order Shoe Dept. to go back farming for the summer months. Ralph farms in the Weyburn district.

Shirley Myrah, Order Review, was presented with a wool blanket upon her recent marriage.

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Miss Jennie Simmonds was very unfortunate on her return from Christmas holidays. They had a car accident which put Jennie in hospital at Shaunavon for 25 days. We were all happy to see her smiling as usual, back at work March 7th.

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The Adjusting Department is very pleased to have Thelma Crispin back, after her lengthy illness.

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Henry Frase (Eighth Floor Checking) received a pen and pencil set presented by Lorna Salkeld on behalf of the staff.

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Marg Walsh (Dept. 30) who has been a patient in Grey Nuns' Hospital, has now been transferred to the San at Fort Qu'Appelle for a complete rest. Her many friends join The Digger staff in wishing Marg a speedy recovery . . . and we know Marg would appreciate some letters from the gang.

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Mr. Cookson entertained the staff of Department 851 at the LaSalle private dining room on April 11th. A steak dinner was enjoyed by all.

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The staff of the Advertising Department joins her many friends in wishing Doris Dillabaugh the best of luck in her new job. (Doris was known to thousands as the voice of "Mary Hamilton", of Simpson's.) Mr. Huggins presented Doris with a hand-tooled leather jewel box and a pair of earrings on behalf of the staff.

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The Retail Home Furnishing and related departments wish Eileen Crowther every success in her new venture. Eileen has been an interior decorator with the Home Planning Service for the past year. Before she left, Lloyd Hunt presented her with a gift from her many friends.

Social and Personal (Continued)

Mr. Mark presented Lorne Salkeld (Eighth Floor Checking) with a three-piece pen and pencil set and a travelling clock, on behalf of his fellow employees. Lorne has transferred to the Retail Store.

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A recent visitor to the Recording was Mrs. Walter Williams (nee Mary Braillean) and her son Darryl.

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In honour of Mary Bodnar, April bride-elect, the girls of the Monthly Payment entertained at the home of Irene Keil, 2221 Osler Street. What a surprise when Mary walked in and saw all her old friends there. During the course of the evening games and contests were enjoyed, the prizes going to Elaine Weisgerber, Pauline Doraty, Dot Phlueger, Lillian Johnson, Mary Bodnar and Vera Bennett. On behalf of the girls, Irene Keil presented Mary with a lovely dinner service.

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The Broad Street Charge Office said goodbye and wished the best to Mr. Faunt the other day when he transferred

to the Furniture Department. was presented with a pen from the entire staff.

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Mr. A. E. Larkin presented Huber with a gift of children's friends on the 7th floor, when she left to be married.

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The curling just won't be the same next winter . . . Larry Bunkowsky has left the Company to take up farming as a full-time job. Larry was with Dept. 897, and skipped the runners-up in the '49-50 curling season.

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Neil Fullmore (Display Dept.) was the recipient of a gift from his friends when he left recently for his home at Parry, Sask. George Bompfrey made the presentation.

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Bob Firth, formerly of Mail Order Shoes, was in visiting on the fifth floor recently. He says he likes Moose Jaw, but was pleased to see the gang again.

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Bells and Belles



A very pretty wedding was solemnized at St. Andrew's United Church, March 18th, when Evelyn Brack (Returns) became the bride of John Miller of Regina. Following the ceremony a reception was held at the Regina College.

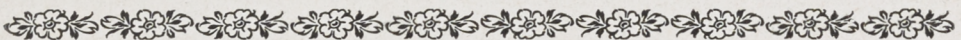
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The First Baptist Church, Lethbridge, was the scene of a lovely wedding on Saturday, March 27th, when Norma McCutcheon (Lethbridge Order Office), became the bride of Mr. M. Douglas.

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A marriage was solemnized at Sacred Heart Church, Regina, on April 10th, when Dot Isaac (Checking Dept.) became the bride of Jack Bishoff.

April 8th was the date chosen by Freda Sauer (Buying) for her wedding to Jack Thomson. The ceremony was performed at Grace Lutheran Church, Regina.



ORDER OFFICE

Sales COMPETITION!

Mr. W. C. Barrell, Order Office Supervisor, has announced that a pennant will be awarded monthly to the order office which shows the greatest percentage gain in sales for the month over the corresponding month for 1949. The increase will be computed on a percentage basis so that the small offices will have equal opportunity with the larger points.

In addition to the pennant, which will be retained for one month, each employee of the successful order office will receive a pair of first-grade nylon hose for her contribution to the winning effort.

The competition started on May 3 and the results will be announced in each future issue of the Digger.

The competition is open to all order offices—regular, telespeed and commission. Here is a chance to put your sales training to work and put your order office on the map.

To which office will go the honor of having the pennant (and the stockings) for the first time?

Winnipeg Order Office News

An Irishman's party was held at the home of Mrs. Waddell on March 16 and we were pleased to welcome Mrs. G. A. Parks as honoured guest. Court whist was the feature of the evening, followed by a most delightful lunch.

Mrs. O. Ledingham is moving to a new home shortly—completely furnished by

Simpson's, of course. Happy landings in your new home, Daisy.

Recent visitors to the Winnipeg Order Office included Mr. A. L. McCreath, Toronto; Miss L. Descamps, Mrs. Parks, Mr. Barrell and Mr. L. Ruddell, all of Regina.

STORK STOPS !

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. W. J. D. Dick (Dept. 855), on March 31st, a daughter.

Flash! Here it is . . . HOT off the Griddle!

He's the most envied man in town . . . you'll know him by the smug look he is wearing. Yes, boys and girls, it's J. F. H. Gilliland, of the Store Investigation Department, the lucky winner of a double return ticket to Vancouver. Congratulations, Gil, have yourself a really good time (and Mrs. Gilliland, too).



Peggy Wilson

It is with mixed feelings that we record the passing of Miss Margaret Wilson on Saturday, April 1—a feeling of regret over the loss of one whose career was so full of promise but also a sense of relief that her long illness had come to a peaceful end.

Margaret, better known as Peggy to her many friends, was born in Edinburgh, Scotland, and came to Canada with her family in 1919. Shortly after their arrival in Regina she joined Simpson's staff, and it was not many months before the trim, brisk, Scottish lass with her keen business ability and pleasant manner was given the responsibility of managing the "Returns and Complaint" Department. Through her untiring efforts and zeal she made many friends for the Company but she was never quite satisfied with what had been accomplished and was ever searching for better ways and means to improve methods and service to customers. Even after she became ill and during her long illness her one thought was of Simpson's. She was indeed a loyal, conscientious and capable Simpsonite—and a true and faithful friend.

On behalf of the staff of Simpson's and particularly those who knew Peggy, The Digger conveys deep sympathy to Mr. and Mrs. Wilson, to her sister, Jean Ryan, her brother Donald and other members of the family.



Our Tribute to a Great Lady



It was in September of 1942 we first met Miss Tullis when she came to Simpson's as our Company nurse. This service to employees was new in the branch and we were all pleased to have Miss Tullis with her efficient, sympathetic manner and healthy sense of humor to ease our "hurts".

Those of us who worked closely with Miss Tullis were constantly aware of two motivating forces in her life—her intense interest and kindly concern for every employee who needed her services—and her genuine devotion and loyalty to the Company.

While we mourn our great loss, we cannot help but recall Mr. Leith's words at the lovely service for our great little lady . . .

" . . . we are so selfish about death,—we
count our grief
Far more than we consider their relief,
We will not learn
How it is wages paid to those who earn . . . "

These words make it easier when we think of Miss Tullis' passing as her reward for the services she rendered on earth.

Our grateful thanks to Jessie Buchanan Tullis, R.N., for her influence and friendship.

We extend sincere sympathy to . . .

Emily Haidenger (House Messenger Service) on the death of her mother, March 20th.

Al Hopkins (R.O.) on the death of his father at Maple Creek on March 30th.

Mrs. Irene Ast (Packing) on the death of her brother, March 31st.

Mr. H. C. Furnell and Family on the recent death of Mrs. Furnell.

Mrs. Russell (Winnipeg Order Office) on the death of her father on April 6th.

'Twas Just Before the Opening . .

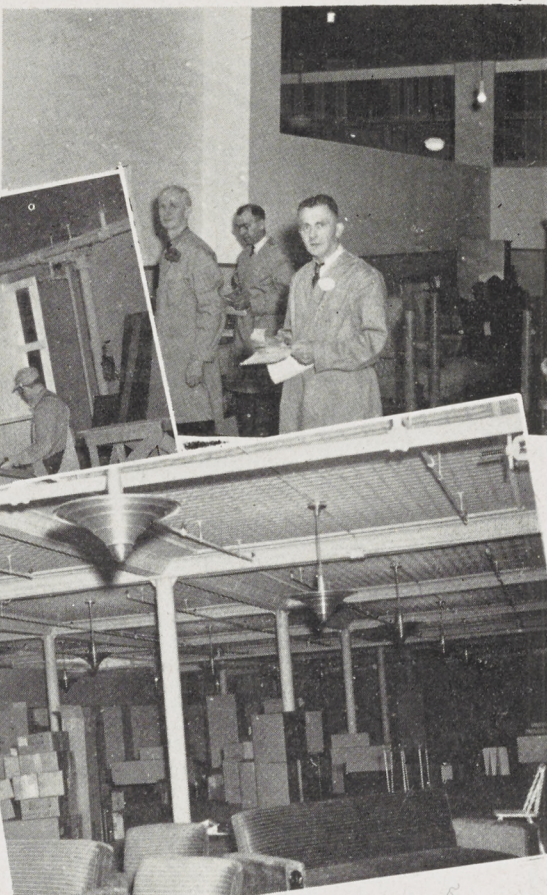
AND SCENES OF
CONFUSION REIGNED

"Go Away,
We're Busy"
(Drapery Workroom)



A Stockroom
on 3 . . . we hope.

Just in
Front of
the Lamp
Department.



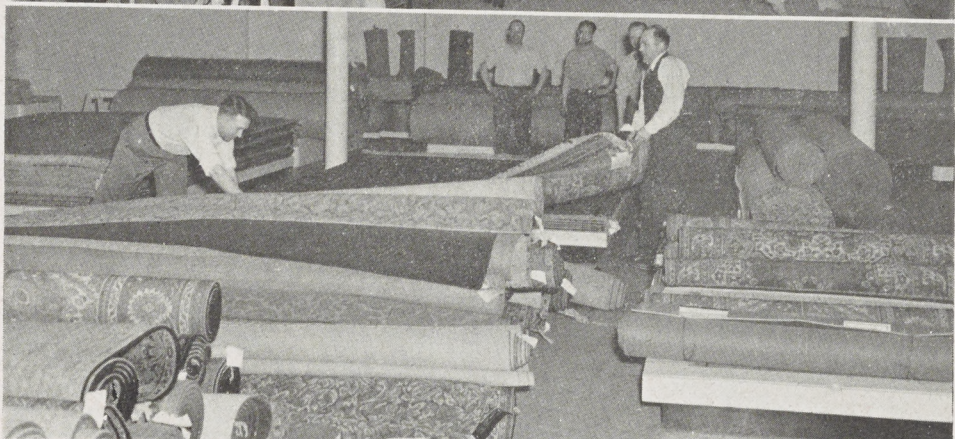
Furniture Refinishing



Cafeteria Shares in General Confusion

On the Night of the BIG MOVE

... Scenes from the Broad Street Store



SCENES from the GRAND OPEN



April marked the completion of the growth of the Regina Branch to the Eleventh Avenue store at 11 a.m. on April 14 by our president, Mr. E. G. Burton, who cut the scarlet, black and white streamers across the entrance to the new store. Mr. C. L. Burton was Mr. C. L. Burton.

"I have no hesitation in saying that this is the most modern store in the west, and I am commenting on the importance of the store. I expressed his appreciation of the work done by the staff on the day of the opening could take place."

Over 200 employees worked on the day of the opening, approximately \$250,000 of merchandise was moved in 14 motor trucks, 350 box trucks and in transferring the merchandise group worked as late as 11:00 o'clock. The day was only for coffee and sandwiches in the departments.

And, certainly as we walked through the new, spacious, modern store, it was a large bouquet of flowers, we participated in a program that was a success.

Also with Mr. C. L. Burton, who was the first to visit were Messrs. N. C. Gundy, Directors of the store, who spent a few days with us enroute.

ING of the 11th AVENUE STORE



on of another milestone in the when the three-storey addition was officially opened at 9:00 ment, Mr. E. G. Burton. More ent at the ceremony at which black and gold ribbon stretching ew wing. Accompanying Mr. urton, Chairman of the Board.

saying that this will be the " Mr. Burton said when com- Regina of the new store. He the co-operation received and completing the job of moving e place as scheduled.

d on the move that involved handise and fixtures. A fleet icks and flat trucks were used ise. The seemingly untiring clock Tuesday night, stopping es, which were served in the

d on opening day through our ts attractiveness enhanced by re were justly proud of our e began as early as 1946.

on and Mr. E. G. Burton on urquhart, J. S. D. Tory, and e Company. These gentlemen ate to Vancouver.



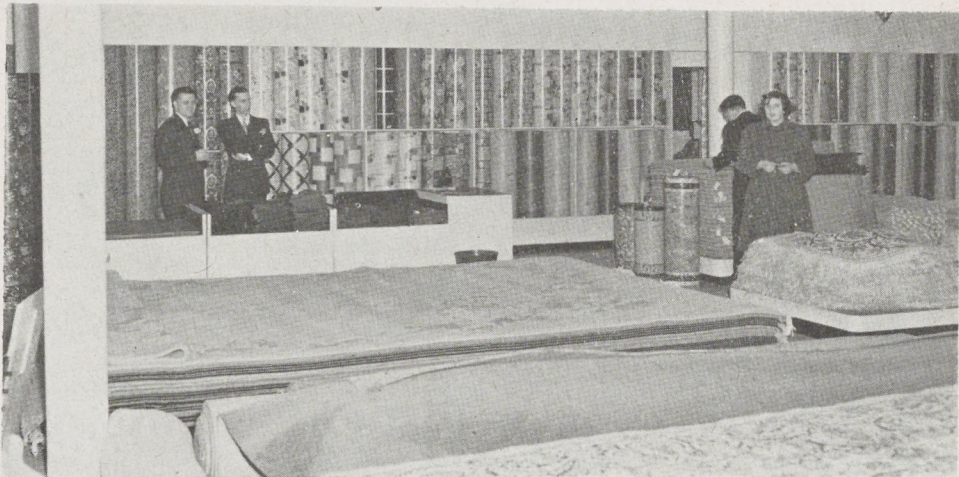
More Pictures of the Opening





Pages 13 and 14 are
Some of the New
Departments







Meet the New Digger Staff

The smiling faces above are those of the new Digger executives who will be guiding the destiny of our staff publication. Their names and capacities are, left to right:

1. Associate Editor—**Don Milliken**, who will supervise sports, humor, head office news, and special features.
2. Reporting Editor—**N. Vancise**, who will represent the Broad Street Store.
3. Associate Editor—**Miss Polly Palanski** who will be the other associate editor and will cover social and personal, training, social club items, births, deaths and marriages.
4. Managing Editor—**J. Tappin**.
5. Reporting Editor—**Ralph Cronk**, representing 11th Avenue Store.
6. Production Editor—**Mr. W. Brunt**.

7. Circulation—**F. Stewart** (not present in picture).

The task of putting The Digger into the hands of our employees does not fall alone to these people, but its success depends on a great number of department reporters and re-write editors, each making their contributions on the day-to-day happenings of the store.

The names of the rewrite editors are:

Social	Doris Blore
Training	Alma Grant
Births, deaths, marriages	Jean Ryan
Social Club	N. Strong
Sports	Clare Bell
Humor	Bill Waddell
Head Office News	Leona Descamps
Cartoons	Len Arkinstall

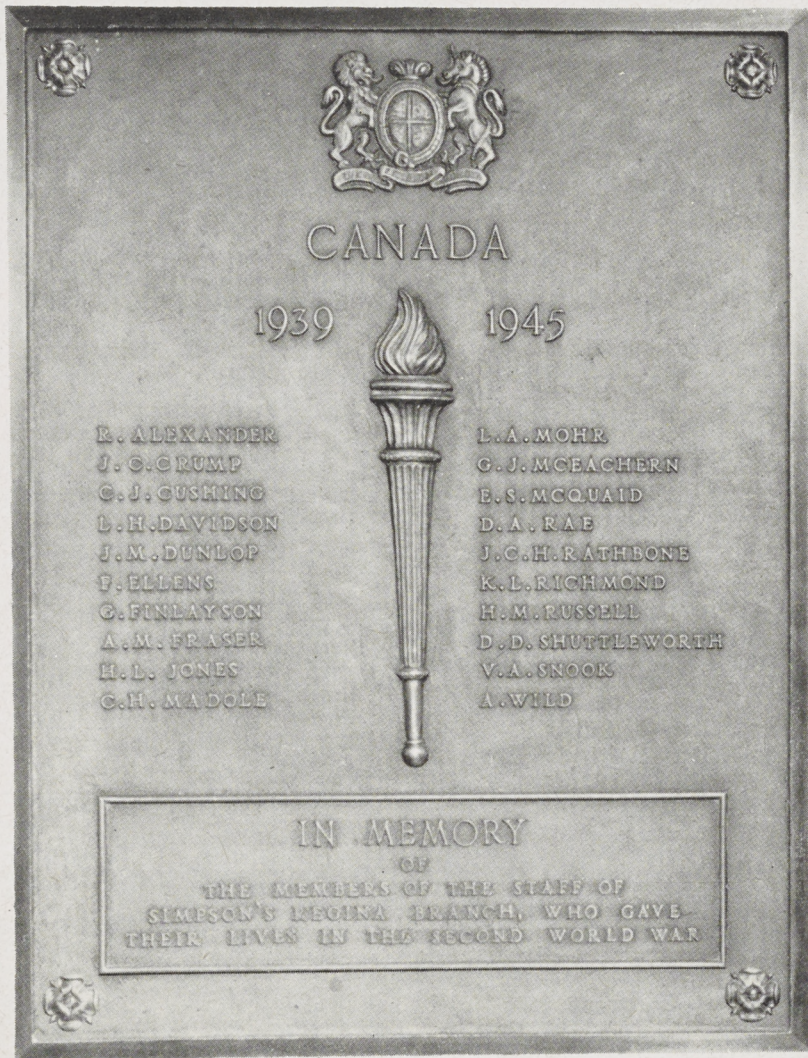
It is with great pleasure that the retiring staff of The Digger extends to the incoming staff very best wishes for the future success of The Digger.

More Fan Mail:

Really, who says Frank Sinatra has anything on the Digger. This month brings a letter from Hazel Fisher (ex-Advertising, Broad Street) giving a change of address. Hazel says, and we quote: "I appreciate receiving 'The Digger' and look forward with pleasure to reading all the latest Simpson news. I pass my copy along to Grace Christink, who used to work for Mrs. Symon, Retail, and now lives in New Westminster."

Thanks for your letter, Hazel, and we hope you'll enjoy each copy of The Digger just a little more.

LEST WE FORGET



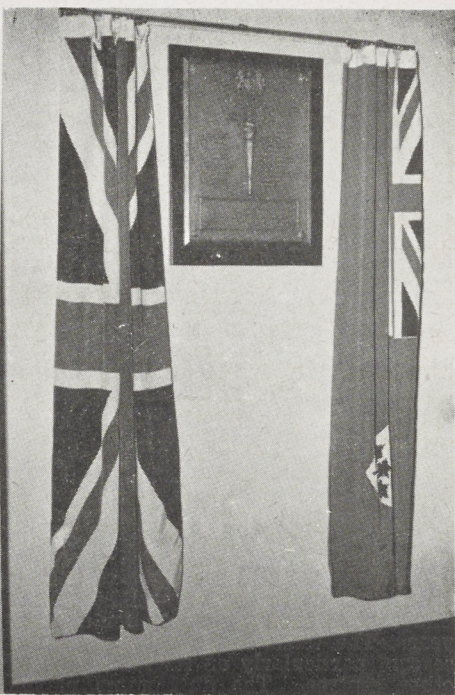
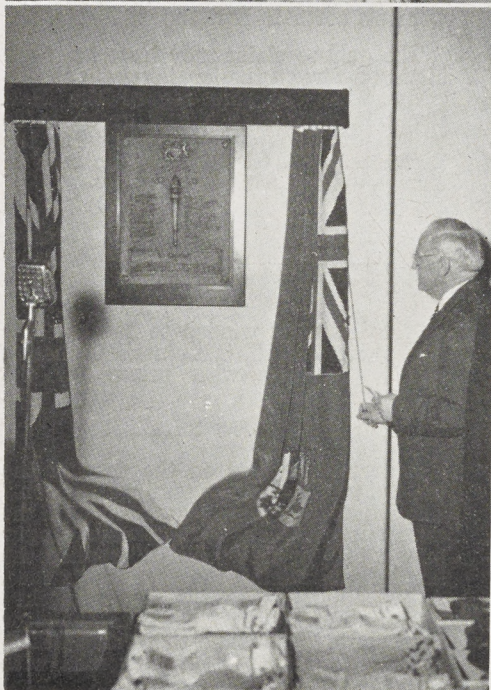
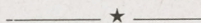
MR. C. L. BURTON . . . Dedicates Memorial Plaque

To you from failing hands

We throw the torch;

Be yours to hold it high . . .

a challenge from the gallant lads of the Regina Branch who gave their life in the Second World War. On Saturday, April 15, Mr. C. L. Burton unveiled the plaque on the Street Floor of Simpson's 11th Avenue, dedicated to their memory. Dean Cole, padre of the Canadian Legion, Regina Branch, gave the benediction and with bowed heads, all ex-service personnel of Simpson's silently paid tribute to fallen comrades.



SPORTS CHATTER



Bowling . . .

The trundlers roll along into their last week before the play-offs. With one set left to play, H. Britton and his cohorts still are on top, closely followed by L. Chapman and R. Lee. Here are the standings at press time:

Captain	Team	Total Points	Standing
H. Britton	8	1067	1
L. Chapman	16	1050	2
R. Lee	20	1049	3
I. Koster	11	1039	4
A. Poirier	14	1031	5
L. DesCamps	1	1021	6
L. Ferguson	22	1019	7
W. Kuhn	15	1009	8
F. Saint	9	1002	9
J. Brunt	21	995	10
J. Thauberger	12	979	11
O. Shea	3	976	12
R. McLean	13	974	13
E. Woycik	14	974	13
T. Chwiendacz	6	949	15
F. Relf	17	937	16
T. McRadu	10	932	17
G. Lyons	7	922	18
M. Kaleniuk	4	916	19
J. Chrystal	5	911	20
J. Giesinger	23	863	21
M. Hamilton	24	792	22
W. Donnelly	19	763	23
K. Kilpatrick	2	759	24

March 24 saw bowlers from all over Canada in Winnipeg for the Bowl-a-Car tournament. Simpson's were well represented at the games with J. Mann (Returns), K. Clarke and Mrs. Hines (Receiving), all making the trip. There were two teams represented from Regina in the 602 teams there. Winnipeg bowlers took the honors. Mrs. Hines got honorable mention the first day with a high from Regina of 302 in the singles event.

Hockey . . .

Although we still see signs of hockey all around us in the play-off stage the Simpsonites have packed up for another year. The team had a very successful season, particularly on its road trips to other centres. The final game played

was at Fort Qu'Appelle, where they lost to the tune of 5 to 4 in overtime.

In the Mercantile City League our boys lost out to Marshall-Wells in a two-game total-goal series. The team travelled 2,000 miles this year and played an average of three games a week, most of these away. There are now plans being formulated for the annual banquet. We should hear more of this later.

Signs of Spring . .

The baseball season has opened down south for another hectic battle in the big leagues. Brooklyn and Detroit look like good bets in their respective leagues.

The Saskatchewan Roughriders are starting spring practices next month.

Those rumblings are Simpsonites rolling out their gloves and equipment from the moth balls. It is expected we shall field strong teams in both the men's and women's softball divisions this year.

The golfers claim they have been out hitting a few on the local courses at this early date. In this regard the Mail Order is organizing a golf group to do battle with the Retail group for the Rielly Cup. J. Giesinger is the man in charge—phone 332.

Curling . . .

Note: Curling windup to be held May 9 at Victoria Hall. Schreiner's Orchestra will be present, with prizes for the winners.



A tramp knocked on the door of the inn known as "George and the Dragon." The landlady opened the door and the tramp asked, "Could you spare a hungry man a bite to eat?" "NO!" replied the landlady, slamming the door in his face. A few minutes later the tramp knocked again. The landlady came to the door once more. This time the tramp asked, "Could I have a few words with George?"

On Making Ourselves Understood

It is widely acknowledged that the best rules for good writing are set forth in a book by H. W. Fowler. Though he calls it *The King's English*, its principles are equally good in any language. He says: "Anyone who wishes to become a good writer should endeavour, before he allows himself to be tempted by the more showy qualities, to be direct, simple, brief, vigorous, and lucid. This general principle may be translated into practical rules in the domain of vocabulary as follows:

- Prefer the familiar word to the far-fetched.
- Prefer the concrete word to the abstract.
- Prefer the single word to the circumlocution.
- Prefer the short word to the long.
- Prefer the Saxon word to the Romance.

"These rules", he added, "are given in order of merit: the last is also the least".

Good Business Letters

The bulk of business today is carried on by correspondence, so one of its most necessary tools and most valuable opportunities is the good business letter. Too often business letters are encumbered with excess words and phrases, which rob the letter of all human warmth and personality.

Allowing for the more formal style of correspondence, the closer the tone of a business letter approaches conversation the better it is. In conversation our audience is all-important and never lost sight of. Let's carry a little more of this kind of awareness of a second party into our writing.

The first rule in writing a business letter is to remember our reader, consider him, try to understand him, and see how we can best serve him—and then write the kind of letter we think he would like best to read . . .

A useful little book for those who wish to write clearly and forcefully is *The Art of Plain Talk* by Dr. Rudolf Flesch. In small space, this volume helps to teach the reader how he may write in plain style, and then, having written, how he may measure how difficult the reader is going to find what he has written. By a simple formula, it takes into account the length of sentences, the number of affixes, and the number of personal references. Dr. Flesch says that shorter sentences, fewer affixes, such as pre-, im-, de-, etc., and more personal references, such as names, pronouns and words that refer to human beings, make for greater readability in your writing.

—Above excerpts reprinted from *The Royal Bank of Canada Monthly Letter*, March, 1949.

—Training Department Note: *The Art of Plain Talk*, by Dr. Rudolf Flesch, is in the Training Department library.

Luke: "Well, goodbye, Honey, I'm going out of town for a few days: what's your phone number? I'll call you up when I get back."

Lulu: "Plaza 4144, and if a man answers—you stayed away too long."

Father (to unwelcome suitor): "I don't want my daughter tied to a hopeless idiot all her life."

Suitor: "Of course not, sir. Then I take it I have your consent?"

He: "Thanks for the hug."

Heart-throb: "Don't mention it—the pressure was all mine."

"Allow me to congratulate you. I'm sure you will always look upon this as the happiest day of your life."

"But I'm not getting married until tomorrow."

"Yes, I know."

The old maid told the town gossip that a neighbor of hers must be drunk all the time, for his car was often parked in front of the tavern all night.

The neighbor heard the tale—and for three nights parked his car in front of the old maid's house.

A speaker says that modern youth would fight for freedom as strenuously as it forbears—if only out of curiosity to see what it's like.

Imagination is what sits up with a woman when her husband stays out late.

"Brown never completed his education, did he?"

"No, he lived and died a bachelor."

Bragging may not bring happiness, but no man having caught a large fish goes home through an alley.

. . . HUMOR . . .

You Should See the Others . . . They're Worse Than These

"Why so out of sorts, Brown?"

"Oh, I've had a very trying day. My office boy tried that old one about wanting the afternoon off to attend his grandmother's funeral and I decided to teach him a lesson, so I said I would go with him."

"Well, was it a good ball game?"

"It wasn't a ball game at all. It was his grandmother's funeral."

— ★ —

Pat: "What's a 'yet', Mike?"

Mike: "A yet? Never heard of it!"

Pat: "Well, it must be some part of a woman. Pete just told me about a woman who was shot and the bullet was in her yet."

— ★ —

"Were you ever pinched for going too fast?"

"No, but I've been slapped."

— ★ —

"Now here," said the saleslady in the millinery shoppe, "is a hat that never will go out of style. It will look ridiculous year after year."

— ★ —

Only one man in a thousand is a leader of men. The other 999 are followers of women.

— ★ —

Shopper: "Why, Mr. Smith, you're back again as floorwalker, I see. I thought you were a lumberman."

Smith: "You made the same mistake I did."

— ★ —

Some genius can make a fortune if he will invent a woman's purse with a zipper at the bottom. That's where they always find what they want.

— ★ —

Teacher, suspicious of huge lump in Betty's cheek: "Betty, are you eating candy?" she asked.

"No, teacher," replied Betty, "I'm just soaking a prune to eat at recess."

— ★ —

A conference is a group of men who individually can do nothing, but who as a group can meet and decide that nothing can be done.

The mother, putting Billy and Bobby to bed, noticed that both boys' feet were dirty—but the elder boy, Billy, had the dirtiest feet.

"Billy, you should be ashamed of yourself. You're a big boy now and you have even dirtier feet than Bobby."

"I've been livin' longer than him."

— ★ —

"Can you serve company?" asked the housewife when she was hiring the new maid.

"Yes, mum; both ways."

"What do you mean?"

"So's they'll come again, or stay away."

— ★ —

Husband: "I've got tickets for a play."

Wife: "Fine! I'll start dressing right away."

Husband: "You'd better. The tickets are for tomorrow night."

— ★ —

A gangling high school sophomore rubbed a hand over his chin while chatting with a girl friend.

"Do you shave?" she asked.

"Yep," was the reply. "I've been shaving five years and cut myself both times."

— ★ —

There was a young lady named Banker
Who slept while the ship was at anchor,

But she awoke with dismay
When she heard the mate say,

"Now hoist up the main sheet and spanker."

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The young wife greeted her husband affectionately when he returned from the office. "Poor darling!" she said. "You must be tired and hungry. Would you like some nice soup, tender chops with golden brown potatoes and green peas and mushrooms on toast?"

"No, darling," he husband answered firmly. "Let's save the money and eat at home."

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